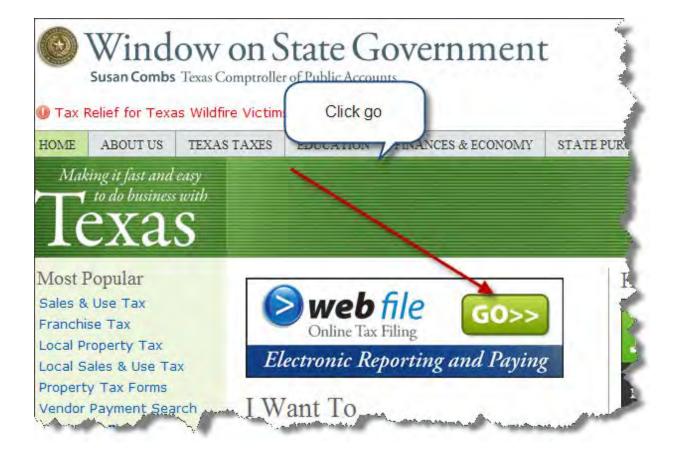
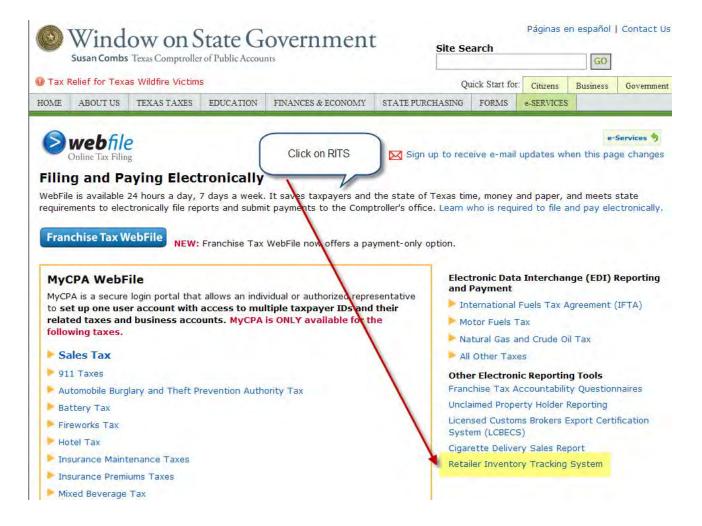
Retailer Inventory Tracking System

Visual Guide for using the system Revised August 2012

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Welcome to webfile and RITS



RITS Website: bookmark!



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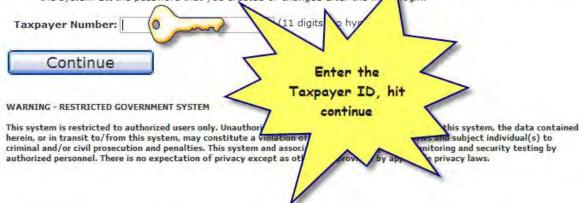
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Enter Taxpayer Number

Welcome to the Retailer Inventory Tracking System. Wholesalers and distributors can submit online a report of their sales of cigarettes, cigars, tobacco, wine, beer distilled spirits, and malt liquor made to retailers. You Will Need The Following Information To Access The System

- . The 11-digit Taxpayer Number assigned by the Comptroller of Public Accounts.
- The initial PIN sent to you in a letter from the Comptroller of Public Accounts if you have not registered with the system OR the password that you created or changed after the initial login.



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Security Check

Please enter your Personal Identification Number (PIN). The PIN can be found in a letter sent to you by the Comptroller of Public Accounts.

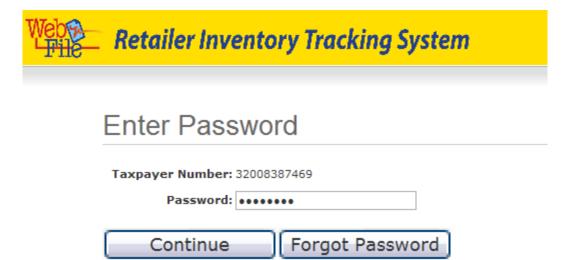
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OR, Established password:



Enter Preparer Info and continue



Preparer Information Update

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If this contact information ha	s changed, please UPDATE. If	not, CONTINUE.
Taxpayer Number:	32008387469	
Preparer's First Name:	RITS]
Middle Initial:		(optional)
Last Name:	TAXPAYER	
Email Address:	wow@gmail.com	
Daytime Telephone:	(333) 555 - 5555 Exte	nsion:
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Option to change password



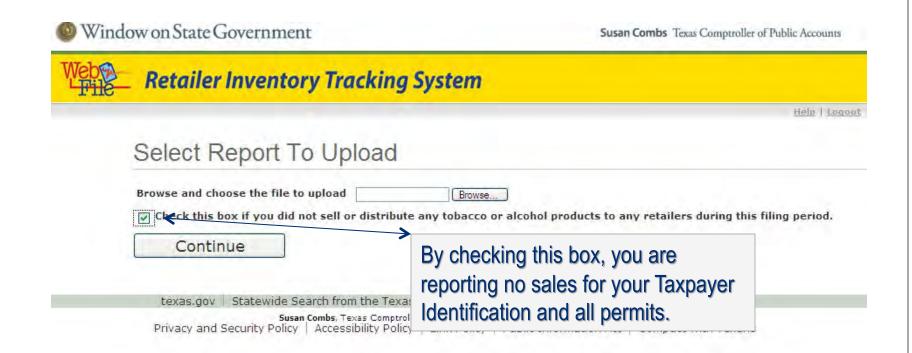
Report periods 101:

- As of September 2011, all alcohol filings must follow the new data layout.
- Nothing has changed for tobacco.
- Any amendments or late submissions for periods prior to September will need to use the old data layout.
- If you are a new filer, you do not need to file anything prior to September 2011.
- If you have been subject to this rule, any amendments will overwrite any prior submissions in its entirety.

Select Type and Submit



No sales to report? - check box



Filing a Zero Report:



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Filing a Zero Report

A person violates the law if he or she fails to file a report or makes a false or incomplete report required by Rule 3.9.

If a person fails to file a report or fails to file a complete report, the comptroller may suspend or cancel one or more permits issued to the person under Tax Code, §151.203, and may impose a civil or criminal penalty, or both, under Tax Code, §151.7031 or §151.709.

If a person fails to file a report or fails to file a complete report, the comptroller may notify the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission of the failure and the commission may take administrative action against the person for the failure under the Alcoholic Beverage Code.

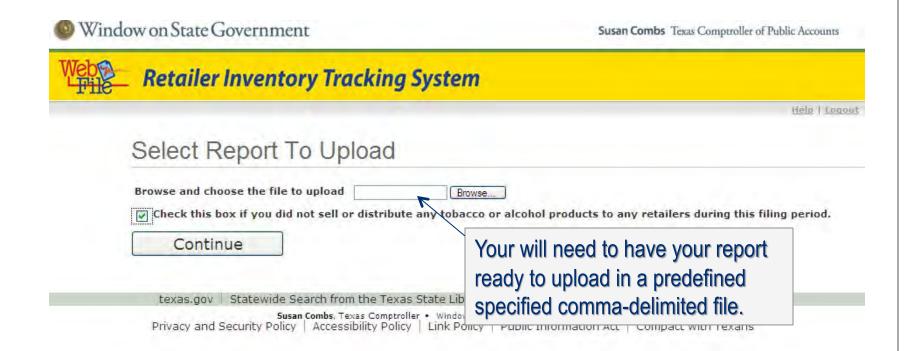
Agree and Continue

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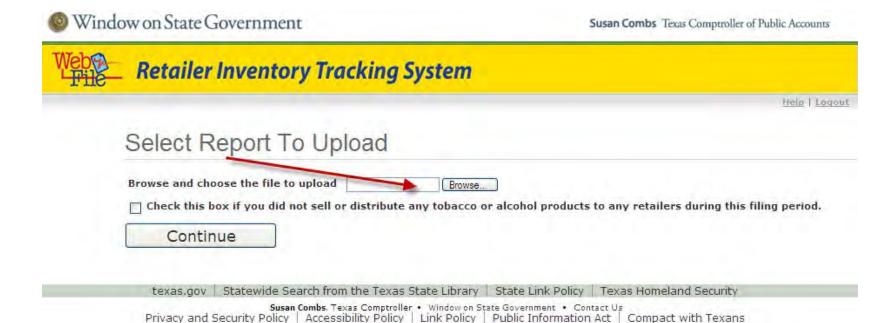
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Uploading - Ready?



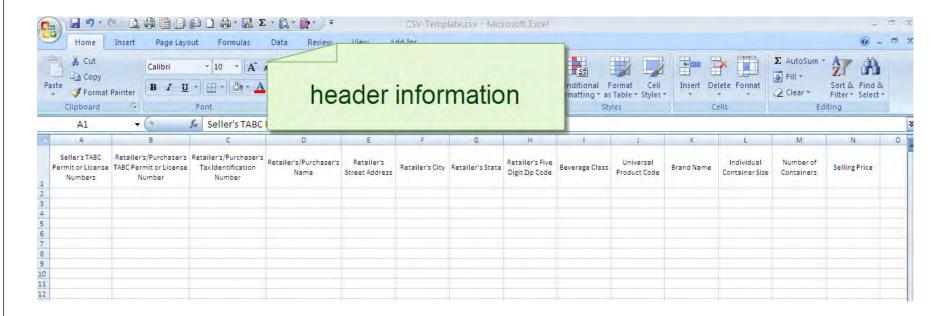
Press Browse to upload CSV



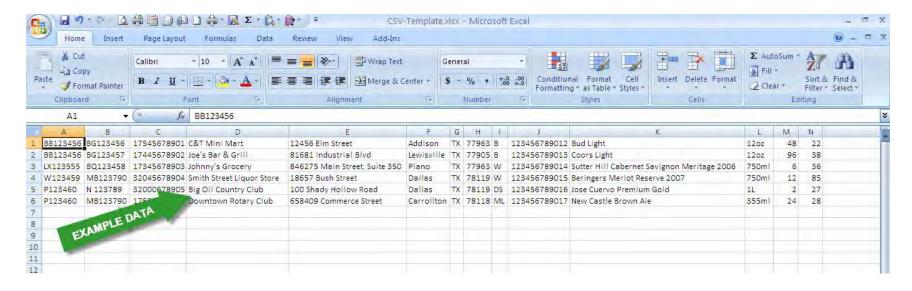
Example file structure:

Skip this section and move on to <u>uploading</u> if you have your file ready to go.

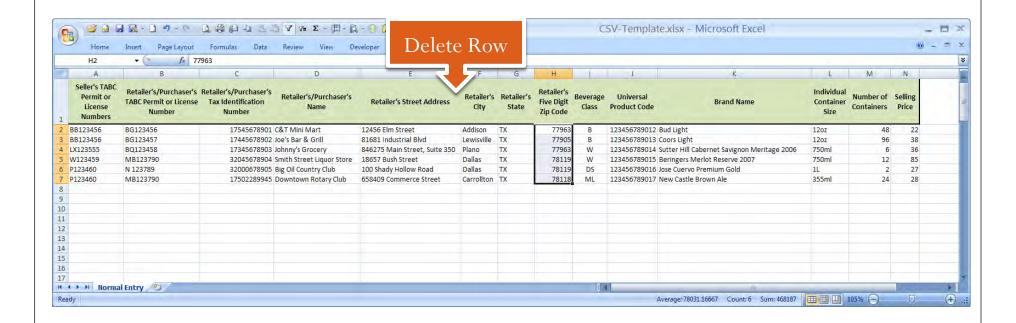
Overview of Column Descriptions



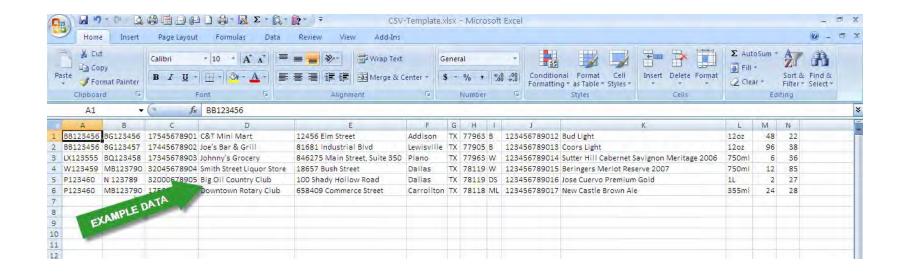
Sample data view:



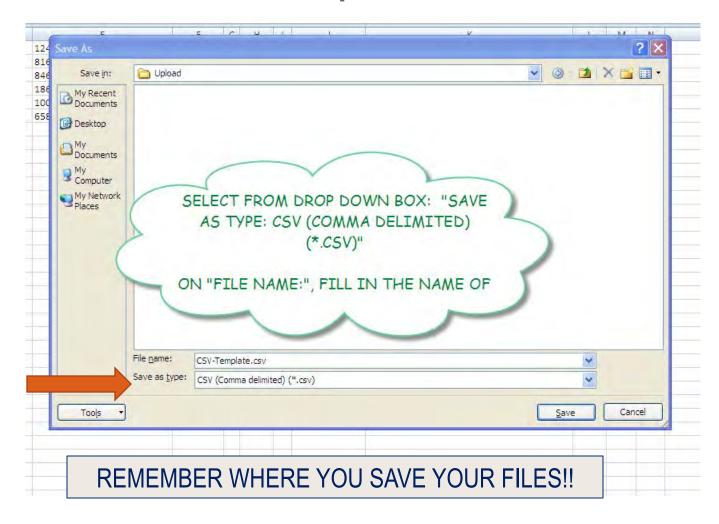
Delete any descriptive headers before saving to CSV:



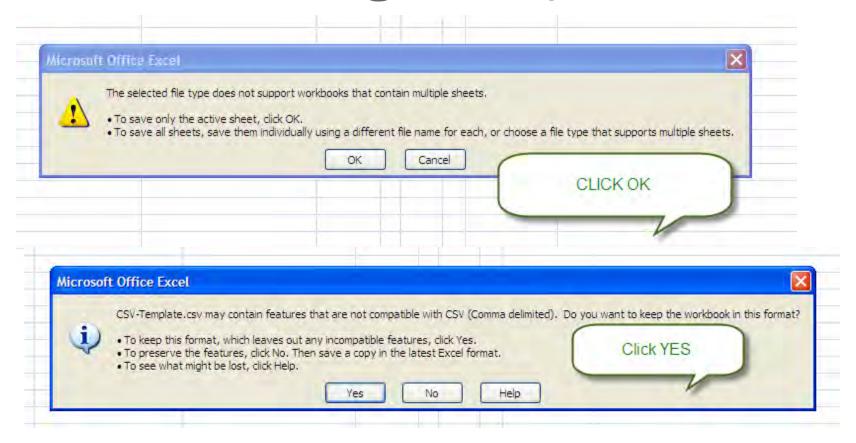
First record of CSV file starts with the first row of data



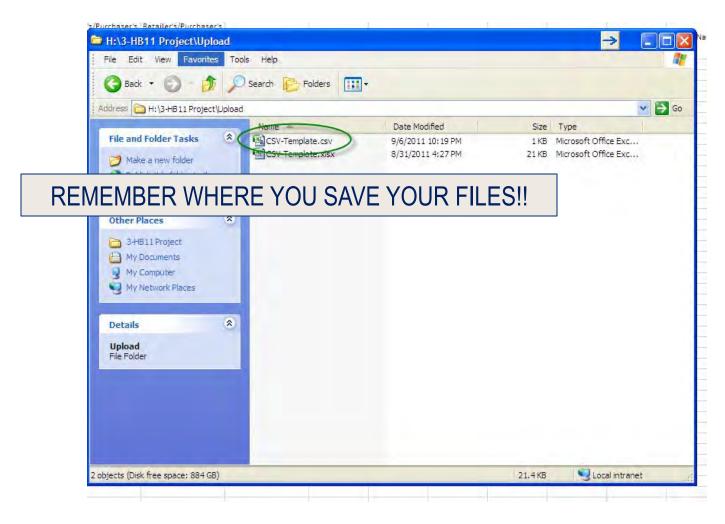
Excel: Save as option



Possible Dialogue Responses:



Look for file with extension - .csv

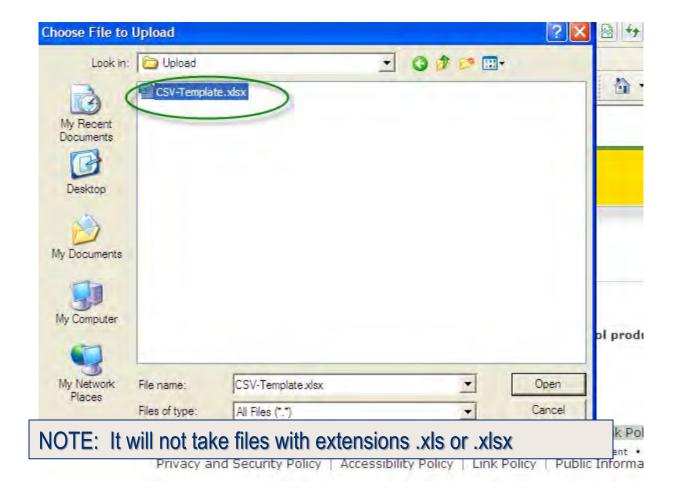


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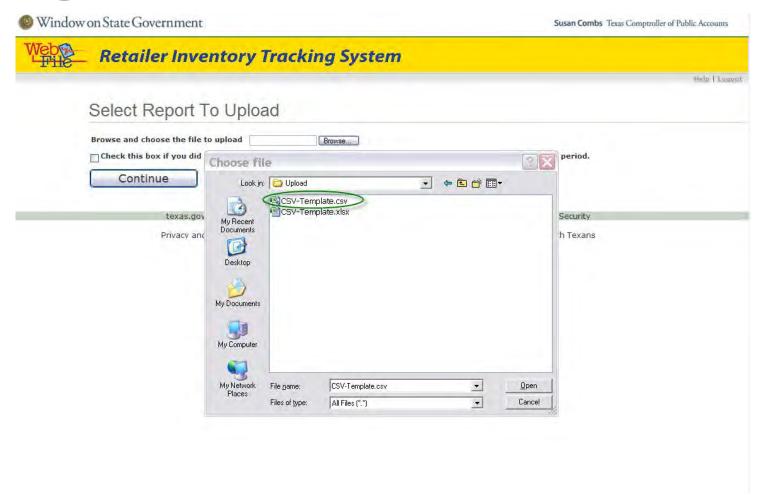


Navigate to file location to upload:

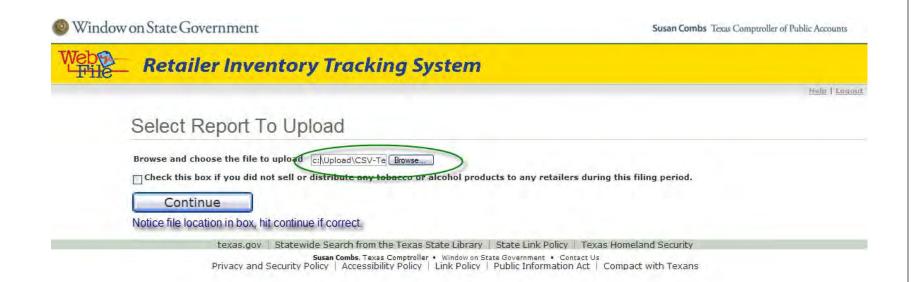
It will not take extensions .xls or xlsx



Navigate to file location for upload:



Selected file, ready to continue...



Validation Errors:

The data layout is very specific about the type of data and the formatting. Here's a what a validation error will look like when you file the wrong report for the wrong period...

Oops - errors



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Select Re	port To	Up	load
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Browse and choose the file to upload Check this box if you did not sell or distribute any tobacco or alcohol products to any retailers during this filing period.

Continue

Error - Your file did NOT upload. Please fix the following errors and try again.

Error - line 1 Amended Alcohol Data is a 12 field layout for filing periods prior to September 2011, 14 field layout for filing periods on or after September 2011. You have 14 fields.

Error - line 2 Amended Alcohol Data is a 12 field layout for filing periods prior to September 2011, 14 field layout for filing periods on or after September 2011. You have 14 fields.

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Validation Rules

The following explains the validation of the data, the type and its format. There are 14 columns that have to be in a specific order, and the follow explains in detail what the rules are for each column.

Data Layout - 1st field/column

• Seller's TABC Permit or License Number

- The following permit and license holders must file:
 - Wholesalers (**W, X and LX**)
 - Distributors (**BB**, **BD** and **BC**)
 - Wineries (**G**)
 - Package stores holding local distributor's permits (PW/LP); and
 - Certain brewers and beer manufactures (**B and BA**)
- Examples:
 - BC123456; BD1234567; P123456; & P1234567
- Each line item on the report must identify the specific TABC permit or license actually making the sale.
- Consolidation of sales under a single TABC permit or license is **not allowed**.
- A single Comptroller-issued taxpayer number may be associated with multiple TABC permits or licenses but an individual TABC permit or license may only be associated with a single taxpayer number.
- This is a **mandatory** field

Data Layout - 2nd field/column

- Retailer's TABC Permit or License Number
 - A retailer is the customer or business that purchased alcoholic beverages from you, the seller
 - Examples: BG123456; BQ1234567; N123456; & N1234567
 - Each line item on this report must identify the specific and correct TABC permit or license to which the sale was made.
- This is a mandatory field

Data Layout - 3rd field/column

- Retailer's Tax Identification Number
 - The 11-digit tax identification number assigned by the Comptroller
 - Must begin with a 3 or 1
 - Do not include dashes
- Examples:
 - 311111111111
 - 17777777777
- This is a **mandatory** field

Data Layout - 4th field/column

- Retailer's TABC Trade Name:
 - This is the TABC trade name as it appears on the retailer's permit or license
- Examples:
 - Cold Creek Beer And Wine
 - Hill country Liquor Store
 - Happy Trails Store
- This is a **mandatory** field

Data Layout - 5th field/column

- Retailer's Street Address
 - This is the retailer's physical address (street number and street name)
- Examples:
 - 1800 North Congress Ave
 - 6915 Main St.
 - 1628 South Pecan Lane
- This is a **mandatory** field

Data Layout - 6th field/column

- Retailer's City:
 - This is the name of the city where the retailer is located
- Examples:
 - Houston
 - Dallas
 - Odessa
 - Bastrop
- This is a **mandatory** field

Data Layout - 7th field/column

- Retailer's State:
 - This is the retailer's 2-character state code (TX)
- This is a mandatory field

Data Layout - 8th field/column

- Retailer's Five Digit Zip Code
- Examples:
 - 78701
 - 76101
 - 77702
 - 79902
- Do NOT use Zip+4 format
- This is a mandatory field

Data Layout - 9th field/column

- Beverage Class
- Examples:
 - DS = Distilled Spirits
 - W = Wine
 - \bullet B = Beer
 - ML = Malt Liquor and Ale
- Ale is considered malt liquor and should be reported as "ML."
- Each line item can only have 1 class of beverage designation.
- This is a mandatory field

Data Layout - 10th field/column

Universal Product Code

- The manufacturer's UPC for each line item; this is not a SKU code or other internal code
- Each line item will have only 1 UPC, usually 12 digits but not to exceed 18 digits
- If no UPC exists, enter a "0"

• Examples:





Data Layout - 11th field/column

Brand Name:

- This is the complete and specific brand name of each product you sold
- Examples:
 - Miller
 - Budweiser
 - Bud Lite
 - Shiner Oktoberfest
 - Jack Daniels Black
 - Johnnie Walker Red
- This is a mandatory field

Data Layout - 12th field/column

- Individual Container Size:
 - This is the individual bottle, can or container size
 - Multi-unit packages or case packs must reflect the size of the individual unit
 - Do not use "keg," "case" or other generic size description
- Report size as follows:
- Distilled spirits and wine containers sizes **less than** 1 liter in milliliters:
 - 750 ml 375 ml, 500 ml
- Distilled spirits containers 1 liter and greater in liters:
 - 1.0L, 1.75L, 1.5L
- Packaged beer and malt liquor in ounces:
 - 12oz, 16oz, 7oz
- Draft beer in gallons:
 - 15.5G, 7.25G
- Imported draft beer or malt liquor may be reported in either gallons or liters
- This is a **mandatory** field

Data Layout - 13th field/column

• Number of Containers:

- This is the number of individual bottles, cans or containers for each line item
- Multi-unit packages, such as cases, must be broken down into the number of individual bottles or cans
- To report a credit, enter a negative number (-12; -7)
- Do NOT include any spaces, decimal points, commas, etc.
- This is a **mandatory** field

Data Layout - 14th field/column

- Net Selling Price:
 - This is the total sales amount rounded to the nearest dollar charged to the customer of each line item on this report and should include any applicable discounts
 - To report a credit, enter a negative number (-7; -12)
 - Do not include dollar signs, spaces, decimal, commas, etc.
- This is a mandatory field

Common Errors

- Review error messages closely, as they will help you understand the error
- Pay particular attention to the period you are filing (e.g., June's report would be due July 25th)
- Your CSV file will not process if it has headings or titles remove headings and titles before converting to a CSV file
- An amended report replaces an original report
 - Do not submit corrections only
 - Wait at least 24 hours to submit an amended report
- Do not delete a field; the entire row must be deleted to process correctly
- For Excel users:
 - All corrections must be made in the Excel version and re-saved as CSV for upload – corrections to your CSV file will not process
 - Create 1 file for every month

Avoid the Rush and Penalties

Reports can be filed immediately after the reporting month; you do not have to wait until the 25th

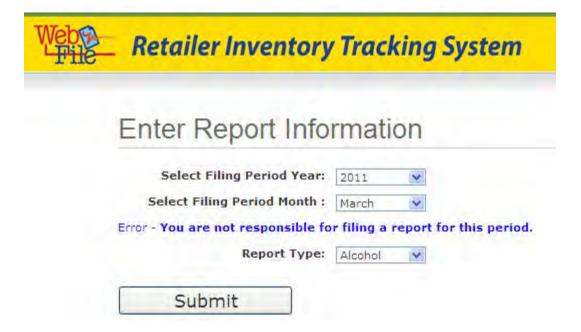
You must file a report even if you have no sales

For questions, contact us at 1-800-531-5441, ext. 3-0959 or via email at HB11@cpa.state.tx.us

Sample Error messages

Suggestions on how to fix...

Not responsible for that period



Permit numbers must be numeric



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Check this box if you did not sell or distribute any tobacco or alcohol products to period,
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Error - line 1, field 1 - Permit Number must be numeric. ,17512530407,Star Vending Co,2657 Warfield,Fort Worth,TX,76106,,cig,packs,1874,7131

Invalid Permit Number



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Invalid Taxpayer Number



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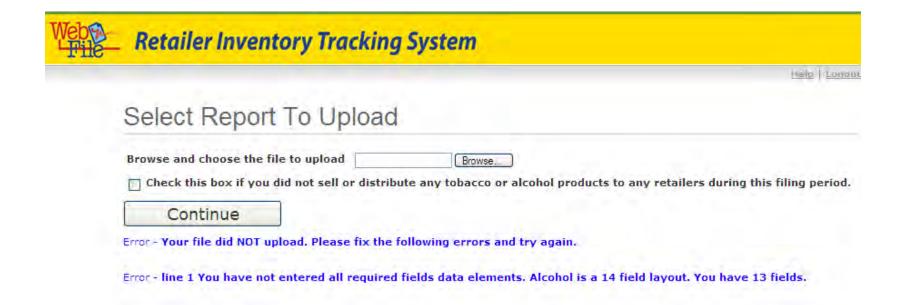
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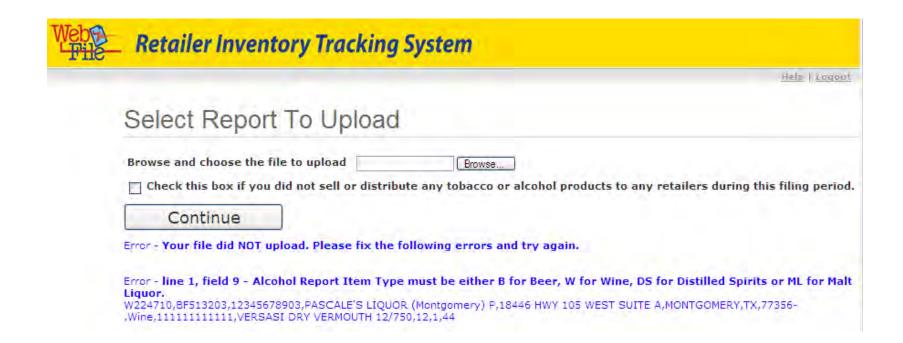
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Error - line 1, field 3 - Retailer Taxpayer Id is not valid. Must be an 11 digit numeric field. Must begin with a 1 or 3. W224710,BF513203,0,PASCALE'S LIQUOR (Montgomery) P,18446 HWY 105 WEST SUITE A,MONTGOMERY,TX,77356-,W,11111111111111,VERSASI DRY VERMOUTH 12/750,12,1,44

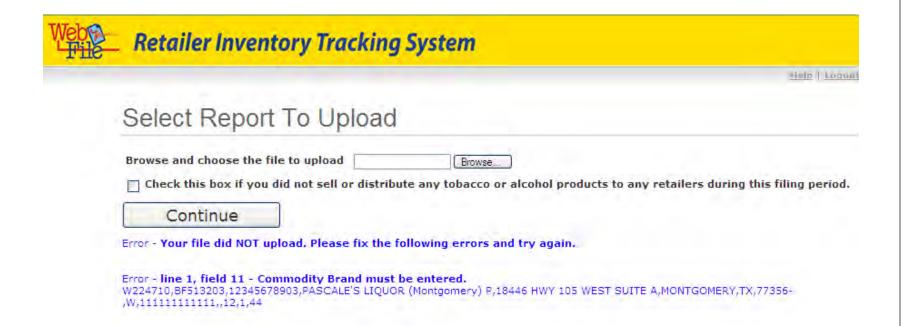
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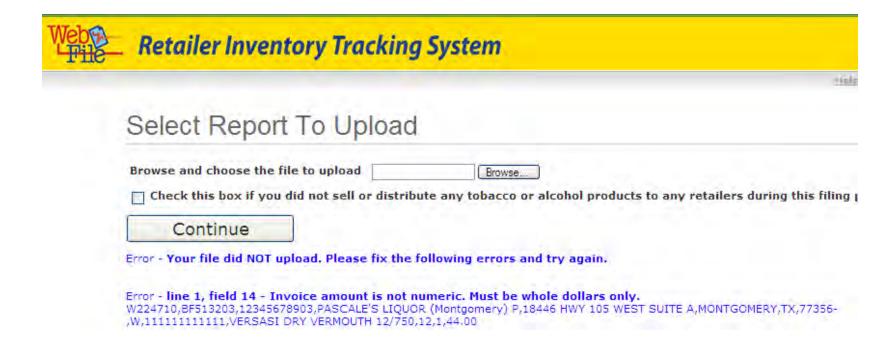
Item type must be B, W, DS, or ML



Brand name cannot be empty



Invoice amount in whole dollars



Successful Upload - Confirmation



Upload Confirmed

Thank you for filing your report for 1109. Your confirmation number is 74. Report Total is \$7,131

Please print this page and keep it for your records.

File Another Report

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System down

If you receive the error message below, it usually means our servers are busy. Mark down the time and date you received this message and try again later.

